

Los Alamos National Laboratory

April 2002

American Indian Heritage Month

*Theme: Diversity within American Indian Tribes:
Views on Culture, Education, Government and Business*

(Refreshments will be served at all events)

April 8, 2002, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Oppenheimer Study Center, Jemez Room

Opening Address and all employees gathering

Tribal Relations Team Update

- Joe Garcia, Tribal Relations Team Leader

American Indian Diversity Working Group Summary

- Chris Echohawk, AIDWG Co-Chair

April 9, 2002, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

UNM-LA Student Center Lecture Hall, Building 2

Keynote: Diversity and Unity in Indian Country

Tex Hall, President, National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)

Mr. Hall is the President of the NCAI, the largest and oldest American Indian advocacy group in the country. He recently co-chaired the Indigenous Summit of the Americas, March 2001 in Ottawa, Canada. Mr. Hall also testified to the Senate Indian Affairs Committee on the Native American Graves Protections and Repatriation Act, and on American Indian Business and Tourism Development, and he chaired the 1999 meeting with President Clinton and Great Plains tribes on Indian Treaty Issues. He was a delegate to the National Indian Health Care Steering Committee where he developed a budget for the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and he co-chaired the National Tribal BIA Budget Task Force. He served two terms with the Great Plains Regional Tribal Chairman's Association. He is a member and Chair of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation.

April 24, 2002, 11:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Los Alamos Inn, Peace Pipe Room

Panel Presentation: Diversity within Local Southwestern American Indian Tribes

Panelists include:

- Gilbert Suazo, Taos Pueblo, Tribal Council member, former Lt. Governor
- Lorene Willis, Director, Jicarilla Apache Nation Culture Center
- Robert Johnson, Navajo Cultural Specialist, Navajo Nation Museum
- Alden Naranjo, Southern Ute member
- Jeronima G. Ortiz, San Juan Pueblo Indian Education Support Staff

Panelists will discuss their unique tribal culture and its interaction with modern life.

Questions will be welcome!

Co-sponsored by the American Indian Diversity Working Group, the Diversity Office, and the Tribal Relations Team

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